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Locally produced news and public affairs magazine show featuring in-depth interviews, investigative reports, documentaries and feature stories on news events and issues of significance to the Sacramento area.

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ASCERTAINED COMMUNITY ISSUES

1. **EDUCATION**, including the quality of public education; school busing; white flight; bilingual education; school violence; and the quality of college and adult education.
2. **GOVERNMENT**, including government spending; the provision of government services; taxes; general political debate by officials and candidates.
3. **HEALTH**, including quality of medical facilities; national health programs; nutrition; physical fitness; mental health; preventive health care; and medical malpractice.
4. **ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND TRANSPORTATION**, including natural disasters; pollution (especially air and water); the water crisis; and the effects of urban sprawl.
5. **MINORITIES/WOMEN/AGING**, including discrimination and other problems of racial minorities; women and senior citizens; the handicapped; homosexuals; and religious ethnic groups.
6. **CRIME**, including increasing crime rate; youth and gang crime; police-community relations; gun control; law enforcement; the criminal justice system; and the prison system, reform and rehabilitation.
7. **DRUG ABUSE**, including the increase in use and abuse of drugs and alcohol; rehabilitation programs; drunk driving; and the need for greater education.
8. **HOUSING**, including rental restrictions; rent control; lack of low and middle housing; landlord/tenant relations; historical preservation; and mortgage rates.
9. **YOUTH/FAMILY**, including issues regarding marriage; the changing role of the family; parenting; child rearing; and abuse.

ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

EDUCATION

Issue: **Learning Disabilities**
Program: Public File
Date: October 2, 2005
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The Learning Disabilities Association (LDA) is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization of parents, professionals and adults with learning disabilities. Its purpose is to promote and support the education and general welfare of children and adults of potentially normal intelligence who manifest learning, perceptual and/or behavioral handicaps. The goals of the LDA of California are to: advance parents' understanding and responsibility for the education of their children; increase community awareness and acceptance of the unique problems of persons with learning disabilities and their families; expand communication with regular and special educators at all levels; respond to unmet needs of individuals with learning disabilities and promote or create services to meet those needs; develop social and educational opportunities for individuals with learning disabilities; promote vocational and career education opportunities; encourage research in all aspects of learning disabilities; stimulate development of early detection programs; and serve as a consultant and/or liaison with other parents and professional organizations.

Issue: **Space Travel**
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Time: 6:00A-6:30A

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Issue: **Humane Animal Treatment**
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Description: The mission of the Placer SPCA is to prevent cruelty to animals, relieve animal suffering and ensure animal welfare, provide humane and animal care education, encourage and support the human-animal bond in our community, and encourage participation by all in a cooperative, on-going manner. The vision of the Placer SPCA is that every adoptable pet in Placer County has a home, every lost pet in Placer County is reunited with its owner, low-cost spaying and neutering is available for all cats and dogs and that every animal is treated with kindness and respect. Programs include behavior education, a food assistance program, a spay and neuter assistance program, a youth for animals club, vaccinations and micro-chipping, a lost and found and a humane kids camp.

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EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Issue: **Child Abduction Prevention**
Program: Public File
Date: October 23, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: Our guest provides free seminars that teach skills to help prevent abductions, molestations and other crimes against children. The number of crimes against children has reached epidemic proportions. There are 3,000 children missing every day in the United States and there are over 4 million known registered sex offenders currently living in the United States, a number that does not include sex offenders that have not yet been introduced to the criminal justice system. In light of recent headlines and how frequently we are hearing about these horrible crimes, it is so important to teach children and parents how to avoid becoming a victim. The guest's focus is to provide seminars for children, parents, teachers, schools, churches, PTA's and community events in a variety of safety and awareness areas. He has worked with thousands of children utilizing role playing, floor chats and various hands on exercises that are fun, positive and educational, but not frightening. He also conducts parents-only seminars that get into the reality of what's going on in the United States today when it comes to abductions and other crimes against our children.

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Date: November 20, 2005

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Issue: **Talking to Teens About Sex**

Program: Public File

Date: November 27, 2005

Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: In 1999, half of all high school students reported having sex. About 1 million teens between 15 and 19 get pregnant each year. Sex is a hard topic for many people to talk about, but as the most powerful influence in a child's life, it is vitally important that the parents talk to their kids about sex. Studies show that children who talk with their parents about sex are more likely to delay having sex. Discussions can differentiate between sex and sexuality and dispel myths like "All teens are having sex. Everybody's doing it!" Suggestions for talking with teens about sex include focusing, listening and encouraging further conversation. It is also important for parents to share their values and opinions with kids. Sex education is a process, not a one-time talk.

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Issue: **Tax Amnesty**

Program: Public File

Date: December 11, 2005

Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The purpose of the Franchise Tax Board is to collect the proper amount of tax revenue, and operate other programs entrusted to them at the least cost; serve the public by continually improving the quality of our products and services; and perform in a manner warranting the highest degree of public confidence in their integrity, efficiency and fairness. The Franchise Tax Board is responsible for administering two of California's major tax programs: Personal Income Tax and the Corporation Tax. The FTB also has responsibility for administering the Homeowner and Renter Assistance (HRA) program, and other non-tax programs and delinquent debt collection functions, including child support debt collections and delinquent vehicle registration debt collections on behalf of the Department of Motor Vehicles. In 1999, the California Legislature gave FTB the additional responsibility for procuring, developing and implementing the statewide child support automation development project.

Issue: **Pollution Prevention / Environmental Regulation Enforcement**

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GOVERNMENT (Cont'd)

Issue: Preserving Recreational Areas
Program: Public File
Date: December 24, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The 23 mile American River Parkway runs from Hazel Avenue to the Nimbus Fish Hatchery. It is essentially 5,000 acres surrounded by 1.3 million people. The Parkway Foundation is funded by contributions from individuals, businesses and other organizations, grants and memberships. It is used by millions annually for hiking, biking, horseback riding, picnicking, fishing, wildlife watching and more. Many people, from administrators to park rangers, maintenance and naturalists watch over and care for the parkway, but funding is in jeopardy. Cutting the parkway budget could mean reduced or non-existent security and maintenance, closed restrooms, trails not maintained, and trash, fallen tree limbs and debris left untouched. Even though the parkway is natural doesn't mean it's free. It needs to be managed and maintained.

ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

HEALTH

Issue: **Living with Fear / Relaxation Techniques / Martial Arts**
Program: Public File
Date: October 2, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: Tai chi is one of three fighting arts classified as application of internal kung fu. This means that the art develops inner strength through paying attention to internal sensations and their causes. This is in contrast to developing muscular strength, toughening the outer body and learning set techniques. Central to tai chi is the development of chi – the Chinese term for vital energy. Chi can be thought of as a form of internal energy that accompanies and makes possible all the activities of the body and mind, such as digestion, blood circulation, movement and thought. Tai chi is a slow motion, moving, meditative exercise for relaxation, health and self defense. When practiced properly, one is less tired and less stressed at the end of a session than at the beginning. With the fear of war and recent natural disasters, Americans say they are more anxious than ever. Scientific research about how our brains and bodies process fear shows that techniques such as meditation, massage, tai chi, yoga and even laughter can change the chemical make up of the brain and ease anxiety and fear.

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Issue: **Kidney Disease**
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Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The mission of the National Kidney Foundation is seeking to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, improve the health and well being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increase the availability of all organs for transplantation. They seek to educate the public, support research, expand patient services, provide continuing professional education and shape health policy. Their work is important because: 1 in 9 Americans have chronic kidney disease. There are 20 million people with kidney disease and another 20 million people at risk in the US.; in Northern California there are over 2 million people that have kidney disease or are at risk of developing it. There are over 13,000 people currently on dialysis in Northern California. Adult-onset diabetes and high blood pressure are the leading causes of chronic kidney failure.

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Issue: **Influenza Immunizations**
Program: Public File
Date: November 6, 2005
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: Influenza is a contagious disease that is caused by the influenza virus. It attacks the respiratory tract in humans (nose, throat and lungs). The flu is different from a cold. The flu usually comes on suddenly and may include these symptoms: fever, headache, tiredness (can be extreme), dry cough, sore throat, nasal congestion, and body aches. These symptoms are usually referred to as "flu-like" symptoms. Influenza is caused by a virus, so antibiotics don't work to cure it. The best way to prevent the flu is to get an influenza vaccine each fall, before flu season. There are other good health habits that can help prevent the flu that include avoiding close contact with people who are sick, covering the mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing, and washing the hands.

ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

HEALTH (Cont'd)

Issue: **Marathons / Youth Physical Fitness**
Program: Public File
Date: November 20, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The California International Marathon (CIM) is a 26-mile, 385-yard point-to-point road race. It starts at the Folsom Dam, passes through outlying Sacramento-area communities and finishes at the historic California State Capitol building in Sacramento. The race attracts more than 5,000 runners who receive outstanding support from over 2,000 experienced volunteers and from spectators who line the streets to cheer the runners on. The first course re-traced one of the original goldminer's routes and remain unchanged 23 years later. 2005 marks the 17th year the CIM has offered it's free Youth Fitness Program which has introduced over 25,000 youngsters to running marathons. The CIM believes this program will help children establish life long fitness habits. This free program teaches children that running is fun by using very gradual distance increases and by rewarding them with special certificates for cumulative distances achieved.

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Issue: **OxyContin Abuse**
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Description: OxyContin was developed as a pain management drug for patients with terminal cancer. It was originally intended to help patients with chronic, severe pain. In the past several years, however, it has become more common for the drug to be prescribed for milder ailments such as sports injuries, dental problems, and broken bones. OxyContin abuse has been well-documented all over the country. Hundreds of people have dies from misusing OxyContin and more have had their lives disrupted. Even more troubling is that legitimate uses – people who are prescribed OxyContin for medical reasons and are taking the drug as prescribed by their doctors are becoming horribly addicted. In many cases, legitimate OxyContin users have become addicted and have engaged in abusive behavior because of their addiction.

ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

HEALTH (Cont'd)

Issue: **Elder Abuse Prevention**
Program: Public File
Date: December 24, 2005
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The objective of FATE – Foundation for Aiding the Elderly – is to serve as a voice for patients and to bring about national reforms and enforcement of the laws governing the nursing home industry and its regulatory agencies in order to assure proper care, civil rights and meaningful, dignified life for the elderly in long-term care facilities. FATE provides information, counseling, advice, resources and referrals as a public service at no charge to those who need assistance in dealing with care of the elderly. Their mission is to assure that elders are treated with care, dignity and the utmost respect during their final years when they can no longer take care of themselves. They seek to initiate advocacy action to improve the care and supervision of the elderly, report abuse and neglect violations to the appropriate authorities and follow up to see what corrections and redress occur. FATE also raises funds to help support grass roots advocacy organizations assisting the elderly.

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ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION

Issue: **Waste Management**
Program: Public File
Date: October 9, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The Western Placer Waste Management Authority, or WPWMA, is a regional agency comprised of the cities of Lincoln, Rocklin, Roseville and the County of Placer. The WPWMA provides recycling and waste disposal services to these communities as well as the City of Auburn, City of Colfax and the town of Loomis. The WPWMA was established in 1978. As a result of AB939, the WPWMA identified the need for a Material Recovery Facility, or MRF to assist in achieving the goal of diverting solid waste from land disposal. The MRF was designed, constructed and is operated to recover recyclable materials from the waste stream in an effort to conserve landfill space. It also provides for the safe receipt and disposal of certain household hazardous wastes. A majority of the residential and commercial waste generated in western Placer County is delivered to, and processed, at the MRF. Materials that are not recovered are sent to the landfill for disposal. Recovered materials are sold throughout the world, helping conserve natural resources.

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Issue: **Off Highway Motor Vehicles**
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Issue: Senior Legal Rights

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Description: The Senior Legal Hotline provides assistance to seniors regardless of income, although its mission is to target seniors who are economically or socially disadvantaged, disabled or isolated. Anyone over the age of 60 can obtain a free telephone consultation with an attorney or paralegal. The hotline also works with a referral service of private attorney who provide estate and long term care planning and can handle cases involving conservatorships or elder abuse. The most common issues presented to the hotline are consumer related issues (20%), wills, probate/estate planning (17%), housing issues (15%), health issues (13%), income maintenance (12%), family law (11%), and protective service issues (8%). The hotline also has a grandparent rights project.

ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST

CRIME

Issue: **Child Abuse Prevention**
Program: Public File
Date: October 9, 2005
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA) exists with the intent to create a safer environment for abused children. They exist as a body of Bikers to empower children to not feel afraid of the world in which they live. They stand ready to lend support to their wounded friends by involving them with an established united organization. They work in conjunctions with local and state officials who are already in place to protect children. They desire to send a clear message to all involved with the abused child that this child is part of their organization, and that they are prepared to lend their physical and emotional support to them by affiliation, and their physical presence. They stand at the ready to shield these children from further abuse.

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Issue: **Drug Abuse Prevention**
Program: Public File
Date: November 13, 2005
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The Partnership for a Drug-Free America is a non-profit coalition of communication, health, medical and educational professionals working to reduce illicit drug use and help people live healthy, drug-free lives. The Partnership's research-based, educational campaigns are disseminated through all forms of media, including TV, radio and print advertisements and over the Internet. In their 18-year history, they have utilized the pro-bono work of the country's best advertising, PR and interactive agencies, and the donated time and space of major media, to create the largest public service campaign in the nation's history.

Issue: **Overcoming Drug Addiction**
Program: Public File
Date: December 4, 2005
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: Narcanon is an International, non-profit public benefit organization dedicated to eliminating drug addiction through prevention, education and rehabilitation. The word Narcanon means "No Drugs"; it comes from "Narco" meaning drugs (narcotics), and "non" meaning "no". Narcanon rehabilitation centers around the world educate hundreds of thousands of people and rehabilitate thousands of addicts every year. The Narcanon Drug Prevention and Education Program takes a comprehensive approach to preventing drug use through effective educational programs with school children, parents and educators, training for peer leaders and professionals, and broad information campaigns. For more than 30 years, the Narcanon drug-free rehab program has used an entirely drug-free rehab approach to successful long-term recovery. The Narcanon Program resolves the mental and physical mechanics of addiction without prescribed drugs, and returns the control and focus you need to remain drug free and free from alcohol addiction.

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DRUG ABUSE (Cont'd)

Issue: **OxyContin Abuse**

Program: Public File

Date: December 11, 2005

Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: OxyContin was developed as a pain management drug for patients with terminal cancer. It was originally intended to help patients with chronic, severe pain. In the past several years, however, it has become more common for the drug to be prescribed for milder ailments such as sports injuries, dental problems, and broken bones. OxyContin abuse has been well-documented all over the country. Hundreds of people have died from misusing OxyContin and more have had their lives disrupted. Even more troubling is that legitimate uses – people who are prescribed OxyContin for medical reasons and are taking the drug as prescribed by their doctors are becoming horribly addicted. In many cases, legitimate OxyContin users have become addicted and have engaged in abusive behavior because of their addiction.

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YOUTH & FAMILY

Issue: **Learning Disabilities**

Program: Public File

Date: October 2, 2005

Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The Learning Disabilities Association (LDA) is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization of parents, professionals and adults with learning disabilities. Its purpose is to promote and support the education and general welfare of children and adults of potentially normal intelligence who manifest learning, perceptual and/or behavioral handicaps. The goals of the LDA of California are to: advance parents' understanding and responsibility for the education of their children; increase community awareness and acceptance of the unique problems of persons with learning disabilities and their families; expand communication with regular and special educators at all levels; respond to unmet needs of individuals with learning disabilities and promote or create services to meet those needs; develop social and educational opportunities for individuals with learning disabilities; promote vocational and career education opportunities; encourage research in all aspects of learning disabilities; stimulate development of early detection programs; and serve as a consultant and/or liaison with other parents and professional organizations.

Issue: **Child Abuse Prevention**

Program: Public File

Date: October 9, 2005

Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA) exists with the intent to create a safer environment for abused children. They exist as a body of Bikers to empower children to not feel afraid of the world in which they live. They stand ready to lend support to their wounded friends by involving them with an established united organization. They work in conjunctions with local and state officials who are already in place to protect children. They desire to send a clear message to all involved with the abused child that this child is part of their organization, and that they are prepared to lend their physical and emotional support to them by affiliation, and their physical presence. They stand at the ready to shield these children from further abuse.

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Issue: **Birth Defect Prevention**
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Date: October 23, 2005
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality. We carry out this mission through research, community services, education and advocacy to save babies' lives. March of Dimes researchers, volunteers, educators, outreach workers and advocates work together to give all babies a fighting chance against the threats to their health: prematurity, birth defects, low birth weight. Sacramento Magazine's "best of" party is a celebration featuring the best of everything as decided by the Magazines' readers. Over 6,000 people enjoy fantastic food, drinks, entertainment and a live and silent auction at this celebration which has been rated the number one "Best Of" party nationwide. Proceeds, which are expected to reach over \$200,000, benefit the local chapter of the March of Dimes.

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Issue: **Adoption Choices**
Program: Public File
Date: November 13, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: Chicks in Crisis, Inc. is a non-profit agency designed to provide emergency assistance to women who are facing unplanned / unwanted pregnancy, who may or may not already have young children and are in crisis situations. It is the goal of the CIC to provide options for these women and to prevent incidences of infant abandonment and death and to improve the chances of having healthy babies. Through transitional housing, medical/prenatal care, facilitation of open adoption services, life skill training and the development of job skills, CIC will assist women in making responsible choices and decisions for themselves and their children. CIC operates and supports a non-profit housing facility known as The House of Hope. This facility provides free services to women and their children in the following areas: Adoption facilitation services, medical treatment, housing assistance and referrals, food and clothing, education assistance, child care assistance and referrals, free or low cost parenting and co-parenting classes, legal guidance in Family Law, employment guidance, and transportation arrangements. The House of Hope houses birthmothers awaiting adoptive families and/or homeless women with children. From this central location, all mothers and their children are transported to necessary medical, nutritional, educational, employment, parenting classes, work and court appointments, if needed.

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YOUTH & FAMILY (Cont'd)

Issue: Marathons / Youth Physical Fitness

Program: Public File

Date: November 20, 2005

Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The California International Marathon (CIM) is a 26-mile, 385-yard point-to-point road race. It starts at the Folsom Dam, passes through outlying Sacramento-area communities and finishes at the historic California State Capitol building in Sacramento. The race attracts more than 5,000 runners who receive outstanding support from over 2,000 experienced volunteers and from spectators who line the streets to cheer the runners on. The first course re-traced one of the original goldminer's routes and remain unchanged 23 years later. 2005 marks the 17th year the CIM has offered it's free Youth Fitness Program which has introduced over 25,000 youngsters to running marathons. The CIM believes this program will help children establish life long fitness habits. This free program teaches children that running is fun by using very gradual distance increases and by rewarding them with special certificates for cumulative distances achieved.

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Issue: Talking to Teens About Sex

Program: Public File

Date: November 27, 2005

Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: In 1999, half of all high school students reported having sex. About 1 million teens between 15 and 19 get pregnant each year. Sex is a hard topic for many people to talk about, but as the most powerful influence in a child's life, it is vitally important that the parents talk to their kids about sex. Studies show that children who talk with their parents about sex are more likely to delay having sex. Discussions can differentiate between sex and sexuality and dispel myths like "All teens are having sex. Everybody's doing it!" Suggestions for talking with teens about sex include focusing, listening and encouraging further conversation. It is also important for parents to share their values and opinions with kids. Sex education is a process, not a one-time talk.

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YOUTH & FAMILY (Cont'd)

Issue: **Helping At-Risk Kids**
Program: Public File
Date: December 4, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The organization's mission is to provide a happier holiday season to those in need by collecting new toys, clothes, non-perishable food products and school supplies throughout the Sacramento area. By collecting these donations, they are able to provide hundreds of children with gifts to enjoy. This year's charitable recipient is the River Oak Center for Children. For over 30 years, River Oak has dedicated their organization to providing therapeutic solutions to their patients' behavioral and emotional disorders. With they many on and off-site therapists, they support over 3,500 children and families each year.

Issue: **Senior Legal Rights**
Program: Public File
Date: December 17, 2005
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: The Senior Legal Hotline provides assistance to seniors regardless of income, although its mission is to target seniors who are economically or socially disadvantages, disabled or isolated. Anyone over the age of 60 can obtain a free telephone consultation with an attorney or paralegal. The hotline also works with a referral service of private attorney who provide estate and long term care planning and can handle cases involving conservator ships or elder abuse. The most common issues presented to the hotline are consumer related issues (20%), wills, probate/estate planning (17%), housing issues (15%), health issues (13%), income maintenance (12%), family law (11%), and protective service issues (8%). The hotline also has a grandparent rights project.

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GOVERNMENT

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About 15 to 20 percent of pregnancies in the United States end in miscarriage... but the subject is seldom talked about, and there are few places for grieving mothers to turn. Anthropology professor Linda Lane suffered 7 miscarriages. She used her background as a social scientist to help her understand the pain and confusion that comes with the loss of a pregnancy. Her new book, *Motherhood Lost: A feminist account of pregnancy and loss in America*, uses feminism and anthropology to examine pregnancy loss.

All over the world... all over the country... all over our community... women are working to make a difference in the world. Here on 51% we're introducing you to some of those women. This week we meet Majora Carter, founder and executive director of Sustainable South Bronx in New York City. Majora recently received a MacArthur Foundation genius grant for her efforts to help rebuild the community where she was raised.

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Time: 7:00A-7:30A

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Mary Darcy runs down some important October dates in women's history.

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Mary Darcy talks with mountain climber Laurie Normandeau. Normandeau is planning to climb Kilimanjaro to raise money to fight breast cancer.

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ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION

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In addition to hunting season, it's also the start of the holiday season. And before you can say Plymouth Rock, friends and relatives will be gathered around tables consuming mass quantities of turkey, stuffing, pie and togetherness – all of which can sometimes be overdone. This week, commentator Katie Britton invites us into her home for the holidays.

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Program: 51%
Date: October 9, 2005
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: President Bush has nominated a woman to replace Sandra Day O'Connor on the nation's highest court... but the nomination of White House counsel Harriet Miers seems to be baffling conservatives and liberals alike. Charges of cronyism and questions about Miers qualifications have been coming from both the right and left. 51%'s Julie Donnelly has more on the presidents unusual choice... and reaction to it.

Each Tuesday from 9p-10p Eastern Standard Time, Gina Davis is the President of the United States. Her new television program, Commander In Chief, is the first TV series to feature a woman as the President of the United States. Putting a woman in the oval office has long been the real life pursuit of Marie Wilson. Wilson is Director of The White House Project, an organization dedicated to putting more women in high office. She worked as a consultant for Commander In Chief and she joins us on the program today. She spoke with 51%'s Mary Darcy about how this TV president might affect real world women candidates.

Dr. Lynn Shuster, editor of The Mayo Clinic Health Letter for Women, returns to the program. She talks with Marcy Darcy about the STD that affects more than half of sexually active women n the United States... HPV.

Program: 51%
Date: October 16, 2005
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: More than 200 of our nation's most accomplished women are honored in the National Women's Hall of Fame. This month, ten more women joined their ranks. 51%'s Susan Arbetter has more on the induction ceremony at the birthplace of women's rights, Seneca Falls, NY.

Mary Darcy runs down some important October dates in women's history.

Dr. Lynn Shuster, medical editor of The Mayo Clinic Women's Health Letter, has tips on how to head breast cancer off at the pass.

Mary Darcy talks with mountain climber Laurie Normandeau. Normandeau is planning to climb Kilimanjaro to raise money to fight breast cancer.

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MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING (Cont'd)

Program: 51%
Date: November 6, 2005
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Remember Cinderella, Rumpelstiltskin and the other fairytales written by the brothers Grimm? Turns out the sales were not written by the brothers, nor were they collected by them from German peasants, as many believe. Not according to Valerie Paradiz. Paradiz is a researcher and scholar who says that Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm actually collected these tales from several aristocratic women with whom they socialized. She traveled to Germany to research the brothers Grimm and their upper-crust muses and uncovered some very interesting details about their collaboration. It's all in her latest book, *Clever Maids: The Secret History of the Grimm Fairytales*.

The movie "Sideways" cheered on California's wines. But the annual miracle of turning sour grapes into velvety wine isn't limited to the Left Coast, nor is it an art that's restricted to the wrinkled old men who are often our typecast vision of winemakers. Women are becoming cellar dwellers, taking over the hallowed job of winemaker. One Colorado woman is not only a gender pioneer, she's stirring up the status quo with her renegade way of producing a challenging wine. Nancy Greenleese, reports.

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Program: 51%
Date: December 4, 2005
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The US Supreme Court has taken up its first abortion case in five years. It's the first such case to be considered by new Chief Justice John Roberts. And it's likely to be the last abortion case to be heard by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who will resign once her replacement has been confirmed. Both sides are riled up, and during oral arguments, the justices gave no indication of which way they'll rule.

Last year the FDA decided against allowing the over the counter sale of the emergency contraceptive known as Plan B, even though the department's own scientists deemed it safe for over the counter use. Some folks thought that was strange... and now it seems the US Government accountability office agrees. The GAO recently released a report that calls the decision "unusual", and questions the methods used in making it. Now the FDA is recommending putting warning labels on condom boxes. If you're confused about the effectiveness of birth control... who can blame you? What do you do when you want a medical question answered? You got to a doctor. So, I called Vivian Dickerson, immediate past president of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Now, while we're on the subject of birth control... there's been some news about the safety of the birth control patch, Ortho Evra. Seems the patch is not quite as safe as originally thought. What does that mean for women using the patch? I asked 51%'s medical expert Dr. Lynn Shuster, medical editor of The Mayo Clinic Health Letter for Women.

Barbara Boxer has served as Democratic senator for California since 1993. Re-elected to her third term in 2004, she received the third highest number of votes in the nation, exceeded only by the two presidential candidates. Now written a novel, it is called *A Time to Run*. The book follows Ellen Fisher from her days as a college student through romantic entanglements and a difficult marriage to a rising political star. When her husband is killed in a car accident during his campaign for the Senate, Ellen assumes his candidacy and achieves an upset victory over a political machine. 51%'s Joe Donahue spoke with Senator Boxer about her book and her work in the Senate.

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MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING (Cont'd)

Program: 51%
Date: December 11, 2005
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The last few months have been quite a ride for Michelle McCuskar. In September... she got hired to work as a pre-school teacher at Saint Rose of Lima in Brooklyn. Then she found out she was pregnant. And then she found out she was fired. So what does being pregnant have to do with her job? Well... the Catholic school wasn't so hot on the fact that McCuskar is not married – she has no plans to get married, either. And, given her intentions... the school says that letting McCuskar continue on at the school would set a bad example. This week... the American Civil Liberties Union filed a complaint on behalf of the fired teacher with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Donna Lieberman is president of the ACLU's New York Chapter.

Is there any difference between those big fashion magazines? 51% intern Maria Elaina Cantalino perused a few to find out.

Are men necessary? The relationship between the sexes is the subject of New York Times columnist Maureen Dowd's latest book – and it has sparked many a debate in the last weeks. 51%'s Joe Donahue spoke with Dowd about the book... and whether he is, in fact, necessary.

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YOUTH & FAMILY

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Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Just the word "Mother" for many of us conjures up warm memories of loving homes, maybe favorite foods and good night kisses. But motherhood is much more complicated than the stereotype, and for many moms, that can be surprising and difficult. Author Margo Perin recently compiled women's essays on motherhood that take an honest look at the mother-daughter relationship. She spoke with 51%'s Susan Arbetter about the book *How I Learned to Cook* and her interest in what she calls, the shadow side of mothering.

Poet Barbara Louise Ungar joins us next. Barbara took time out from writing and raising a toddler to share some of her musings on motherhood with 51%...

The earliest weeks of parenthood are a blur of busy days and sleepless nights, so why would a woman care for other people's babies during those difficult early days, only to give them away to new mothers. Producer David Barasoain looks at the life of a pre-adoptive mom.

Mom's love to give advice. Humorist Amy Borkowsky's mother likes to leave her words of wisdom on her daughter's answering machine. Daughter Amy collected some of her favorite nuggets of motherly advice and put them on a CD called Amy's Answering Machine. It was so successful that she just released a second volume. Here is what she came home to after a visit with mom...

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Program: 51%

Date: December 25, 2005

Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Knitting... it's not just for grandmothers anymore. As 52%'s Greg Dahlmann reports, younger adults have picked up on knitting and crafting. And just like the resulting sweaters and blender lamps, the trend is home made.

Remember Punk. Spiked hair, thrift shop clothes, safety pins... imagine those fashions on your mom. Move over June Cleaver, in garages and basements around the country, punk moms are rockin' out. Rebecca Golden went to Momapalooza to meet the women who are putting a new spin on motherhood...

Lest we leave you wanting more... in this week's artists spotlight... you guessed it... Candy Band. Inspired by an actual event, here's Ken Lost His Head.

TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE

**KDND-FM
Sundays, 7:30A-8:00A**

Description

Every day, faculty members at schools and universities throughout the world are making discoveries that shape our ways of thinking and redefine our understanding of today's knowledge-driven society. Since 1990, The Best of Our Knowledge has highlighted breakthroughs across disciplines and across the globe, putting you in touch with the men and women at the front of their fields. Each week, co-host Dr. Karen R. Hitchcock examines some of the issues unique to college campuses, looks at the latest research, and invites commentary from experts and administrators from all levels of education.

Glenn Busby, co-host and producer of Best of Our Knowledge, has made a special commitment to report on important developments in educational research. The fact is, at every college and university there is a great deal of research being conducted which could potentially have a dramatic impact on the ways in which we educate our students, from the lower grades right through graduate school. Unfortunately, all too often the results of that research are relegated to a shelf somewhere, or are only seen by the small number of people who actually read the scholarly journals. There is no question that the work is being done – the problem is, once it's done, the people in a position to benefit from it most haven't gotten a chance to hear about it.

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EDUCATION

Issue: **Teaching Toward Freedom: Moral Commitment and Ethical Action in the Classroom – Part 1**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 2, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: On this program, we shift gears and divert attention from our recent show themes of back to school and Hurricane Katrina's impact on education. Our beginning guest insists that, in a classroom committed to freedom, educators must first and foremost, completely devote themselves to their students with all their imperfections and contradictions. He says by acknowledging students as individuals of value and consequence, teachers can learn as much about themselves, as about their students. William Ayers is Distinguished Professor of Education and Senior University Scholar at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He's founder of the Small Schools Workshop, and author if many books including this latest published by Beacon Press. TBOOK spoke with him recently during his book tour.

Issue: **Civic Engagement and the Higher Education Community**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 2, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Pace University in New York City is a founder and pilot institution of Project Pericles. Pericles is a 5-year old coalition of 20 campuses that encourages students to work on social missions. Pace University President is David Caputo. Dr. Caputo has just teamed with the National Civic Review to transform that quarterly publication into a national forum on the merits of participatory citizenship training for college students. President Caputo wrote the lead article, *A Campus View: Civic Engagement and the Higher Education Community* and guest edited the entire issue probing the campus trend toward official encouragement for responsible civic and community activism.

Issue: **Hurricane Katrina Education Update**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 9, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Hurricane Katrina has driven an estimated 400,000 students from their home classrooms in just Louisiana and Mississippi alone. The U.S. Department of Education, and colleges and universities all across North America are shifting into high gear to assist these displaced students, school systems, and communities. U.S. Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings, likens the current school situation to the "Educational Triage"... where students need support services, transportation, food, and mental health services. But she reports that children are attending classes. Spellings recently proposed 2.6 billion dollars in funding for K thru 12 and post-secondary relief. This includes 227 million dollars for higher education to allow borrowers to defer payments on student loans, and provide aid to colleges that have taken in students displaced by the storm. But it does not include billions needed to repair and rebuild universities destroyed by Katrina.

Issue: **Teaching Toward Freedom: Moral Commitment and Ethical Action in the Classroom: Part 2 of 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 9, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Education activist, William Ayers, has been teaching in America's classrooms for more than 30 years. Last week, Professor Ayers spoke with TBOOK about the need for teachers to completely devote themselves to their students. This week, we hear recommendations for putting this into practice in classrooms. William Ayers is Distinguished Professor of Education and Senior University Scholar at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He's founder of the Small Schools Workshop, and author of many books including this latest published by Beacon Press.

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- Issue:** **National Science Foundation Series Powerful Signals: Transforming the Role of Women and Girls in Science and Engineering "Edge – Educating Girls for Engineering"**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 16, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A
- Description:** Re-engineering electronic devices and toys for disabled children. That was the goal for this past summer's "EDGE – Educating Girls for Engineering". For the third consecutive year, high school girls from around the U.S. came to Union College in Schenectady, New York. EDGE hopes to encourage academically talented young women to pursue engineering studies in college. 21 juniors and seniors were chosen through a rigorous application process including essays, transcripts, and letters of recommendation. The highly select group of girls started their summer session by visiting Schenectady's Northwoods at Hilltop Brain Injury Rehabilitation Center where they met with patients and began to re-design everything from stuffed animals to RV remote controls. This is the EDGE story.
- Issue:** **Origins of Life / Science Research in Education Series "Geophysical Constraints on Physical Processes at Subglacial Lakes in East Antarctica"**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 16, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A
- Description:** Antarctica is often called the coldest, windiest, driest and darkest continent on the planet. It's visited by very few people, mostly scientists. But interest in Antarctica has increased recently because of the highly popular National Geographic film, March of the Penguins. Antarctica is larger than Europe, one and a half times the size of Canada. It has an ice cap as deep as the Alps are high, and more than 80% of the fresh water reserves of the planet. It could hold the key to discovering more about earth's history. And, it also has the potential to predict what we might find on other planets.
- Issue:** **Annual Back-To-School Address, Part 1 of 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 23, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A
- Description:** Connecticut has sued the U.S. Government over the No Child Left Behind Law. Connecticut claims the law is illegal because it requires 50-million dollars in programs without paying for them. Last April, the National Education Association, the largest teachers union in America, along with school districts in Texas, Michigan and Vermont, also filed suite against NCLB. Thus far, reaction from the Bush administration has been limited to a brief statement by Department of Education spokeswoman, Susan Aspey. Aspey rejects the lawsuit claims, saying the money to pay for programs is available. She wrote in an e-mailed statement, "This lawsuit send the wrong message to students, educators and parents." In fact, during Education Secretary, Margaret Spellings', one-hour appearance before the National Press Club just a few days ago, she neither brought up this issue in her speech, responded to the issue, or was even asked about the lawsuits by the national press corps in attendance. Spellings did, however, use the opportunity to stay on the department's message about No Child Left Behind.
- Issue:** **National Teacher of the Year Named**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 23, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A
- Description:** The National Teacher of the Year program is a project of the Council of Chief State School Officers, and is sponsored by Scholastic, Inc. The program focuses public attention on teaching excellence, and is the oldest and most prestigious awards program for teachers.

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EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Issue: Annual Back-To-School Address, Part 2 of 2
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 30, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: For just the past ten years, U.S. Secretaries of Education have come before the National Press Club each fall, for what is now known as the Annual Back-To-School Address. Since taking her cabinet post earlier this year, this was Education Secretary Margaret Spellings' first opportunity at the National Press Club forum. In our program last week, she spoke about the evolving global economy and the need to reduce education gaps. She also gave proof of how she believes higher standards and accountability requirements are paying off. And she responded to an Inspector General's report which concluded that the Department of Education violated federal law regarding covert propaganda, when it hired commentator, Armstrong Williams, to promote its policies. This week, Secretary Spellings focuses on the need for high school reforms, the role of the federal government in higher education, and the status of Title IX revisions.

Issue: Origins of Life / Science Research in Education Series "The Evolution of Protoplanetary Disks, 0.5 – 10MYR: First Spectroscopic Results from the Spitzer Space Telescope"
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 30, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope was launched two years ago... and from the very beginning, it has been opening the eyes of the science community. Its images of the universe date back almost to the beginning of time as we know it, perhaps 13.5 billion years ago. To find out about some of these discoveries, TBOOK spoke with a member of the team, and co-investigator that built the infrared spectrograph for the Spitzer Telescope. Dr. Dan Watson is also a Professor of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Rochester in New York.

Issue: Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program, Part 1 of 2
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: November 6, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: The Ford Foundation International Fellowship Program is now in its 5th year. Ford is investing 280 million dollars over ten years to create some 35 hundred fellowships. This week, we learn about the history of Brain Drain, about the migration of intellectual and human capital, hear an explanation of the phrase Brain Circulation, and find out about efforts to have higher education be more proactive in pursuing a Brain Gain policy in hopes of creating greater security.

Issue: Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program, Part 2 of 2
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: November 13, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: The Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program is working in 21 countries and territories... in Africa, Asia, Latin America and even Russia. IFP wants to expand higher education opportunities for groups and communities that have traditionally lacked access to graduate studies. It's from these groups that IFP looks for individuals who will use their further education to become leaders in the struggle for social justice in their own communities or countries. Last week, we learned about the interesting history of Brain Drain and migration of intellectual capital. And we also heard efforts to get higher education to become more proactive in pursuing a Brain Gain policy. This week, we discover there are many more fellowships still available for applicants... what areas of study these focus on... and the impact IFP hopes to have during and after its ten-year effort.

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Issue: **Bulgarian Brain Drain**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: November 13, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: A new report from the Higher Education Policy Institute in Great Britain concludes that, rather than suffering from a Brain Drain of qualified researchers, the UK benefits from a substantial net immigration of academics. The report also notes that compared with other countries such as Germany, the Netherlands, and Switzerland, overall, the levels of mobility in the US are actually quite modest. There is also some evidence that researchers from European countries are beginning to treat the UK, as UK researchers regard the United States. In other words, beginning their careers in Britain, establishing their reputations, and then returning to their home countries to continue their careers. Irena Surcheva, together with her husband, chose to move to Holland. They did this to get their doctorates and work in the scientific fields of their choice, and work at the highest level. We also spoke with Dragamier Gonchev whose working on his Ph.D. using atomic force microscopy at the University of Utrecht. Scientists and other skilled professionals are welcome almost anywhere. As we've heard in stories this week and last week, this intellectual migration is often made very attractive. For example, the European Union actively recruits scientists from former Eastern Block countries. We met some Bulgarians in Amsterdam who left their home country and asked them why?

Issue: **Simon's Rock Early College Teacher Training**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: November 20, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Microsoft CEO, Bill Gates, spoke recently at a national conference of state legislatures. He told the 7-thousand lawmakers a common theme, that innovation is the key to survival in an increasingly global economy. He added that universities are the engine of that change. Gates said, "There is almost a perfect correlation between areas with good jobs and universities." He called them "I.Q. Magnets." And so, putting his money where his mouth is, the William and Melinda Gates Foundation has committed more than 100-million dollars toward setting up small, early college programs in more than 150 high schools serving low-income and minority students. The recipient of some of that money is Simon's Rock College in Massachusetts. They received a Gates Foundation grant to support a teacher training seminar. That didn't come by accident. Simons' Rock has long been recognized as a leader in the early college experience. In fact, we've featured them before here on The Best of Our Knowledge. TBOOK attended the seminar where teachers told us their first challenge is how to adapt the early college approach for use in their own classrooms. We spoke with Bill Lund, a teacher from Tulalip Indian Reservation outside Seattle, Washington; Joann Del Plato, Workshop Director, Simon's Rock; Ray Peterson, Principal, Bard High School Early College, Manhattan; Pat Sharpe, Professor, Simon's Rock; and Bill Coe, Math Teacher at Montgomery College in Rockville, Maryland.

Issue: **Neighborhood Science Lessons for Teachers**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: November 20, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: From teacher training in Massachusetts, we move to lessons for educators in Michigan. Some teachers in the Midwest say today's students know very little about where their food comes from, or why they should worry about the health of local fish and wildlife. Instructors say that makes subjects like biology and ecology boring. It also reduces students' interest in protecting the environment. Now, these teachers are finding ways to bring science home. Hear Todd Kalish, Biologist, Michigan Department of Natural Resources; Mary Whitmore, Curriculum Developer; Christie Jenemabi Johnston, Teacher; and several students.

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Issue: **Origins of Life/Science Research in Education Series: Making Sense of Extrasolar Planets – Part 1**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: November 20, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: You've likely heard the radio program, Stardate. It also has a website for teachers, offering them lesson plans and workshops to help incorporate astronomy into their science curriculum. It's a production of the University of Texas McDonald Observatory. Dr. William Cochran is a Senior Research Scientist at the McDonald Observatory and the Center for Advanced Studies in Astronomy at the University of Texas at Austin. Over the past 10 years about 150 Jupiter-sized planets have been found around other nearby stars similar to our sun, demonstrating that the formation of planets is not a rare phenomenon. But the all important questions still remain to be answered. Is there another planet like earth?

Issue: **Teaching Intelligent Design Trial Ends**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: November 27, 2005
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Description: Attorneys in the Dover, Pennsylvania Intelligent Design case brought their arguments to a close earlier this month after a six week trial. That leaves Judge John Jones until the end of this year to decide whether or not the teaching of Intelligent Design in public schools is allowed by the U.S. Constitution. A lawyer for eight families urged the federal judge to overturn the Dover School Board policy that requires the discussion of Intelligent Design in biology classes, saying it improperly promotes religion in schools. But the school board's lawyer defended that policy, explaining that it was intended to call attention to a new "science movement". In closing arguments, Eric Rothschild, attorney for the parents, claimed "Intelligent Design became the label for the board's desire to teach creationism." Rothschild said, "It's essential religious nature does not change whether it's called 'creation science' or 'Intelligent Design' or sudden emergence theory. The shell game has to stop". The Intelligence Design issue has been covered before here on **The Best of Our Knowledge**. An overwhelming majority of scientists believe that Intelligent Design is not science because it cannot be tested, and therefore, should not be taught in classrooms. One of those scientists is the well known Dr. Sean Rice, a Professor in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at Yale University. He explains how scientists view this debate.

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Issue: **2005 National Assessment of Educational Progress – National & State Report Cards in Math & Reading**
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Description: Scientists believe that as much as 90% of the mass in the universe is made up of particles called Dark Matter. Their belief is based on an unseen gravitational pull on the stars. Dr. Heidi Newberg, Astrophysicist at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and her colleagues suggest that a highway of dark matter from another galaxy may be showering down on earth.

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Issue: Loyola University of New Orleans Reopens Next Month
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Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: The countdown is on... almost like for a rocket launch at Kennedy Space Center in Florida. But this countdown is ticking down the days remaining until one of New Orleans landmark institutions, Loyola University, reopens its doors for classes. "D" day is Monday, January 9, 2006. Pre-registration is underway at Loyola with nearly 75% of the undergraduates already enrolled for the spring semester. School administrators are encouraged by 92% of Loyola seniors coming back to graduate. Students will be able to move back into their residence halls as early as January 4. Earlier this month, all Loyola faculty and staff reported back to work. And over 50 administrators met on the Loyola campus to make preparations for the spring semester in a post-Katrina era. They talked about information technology recovery efforts, academic and student life calendars, housing issues, financial implications, commencement plans and rebuilding. TBOOK just recently had this probing and revealing discussion about the university and New Orleans with Loyola President, Father Kevin Wildes.

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Date: November 6, 2005
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Description: Today, Hungary is one of the newest members of the European Union. Still, it will probably be decades before that country's economy meets western standards. This has prompted many of Hungary's intellectuals to move elsewhere. But we found at least one exception. Euroquest's Jonathan Groubert, recently spoke with Regina Saphier, who believes that most of those highly educated emigrants really want to return to Hungary. Indeed she was one of them. But when Regina Saphier returned, American degree in hand, nobody, including employers, understood why she wanted to come back. She decided to do something about that, as we learn in this conversation for TBOOK.

Issue: **Skilled Dutch Leaving in Droves**
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Date: November 6, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Meanwhile, in the Netherlands, more and more Dutch people are leaving. That, in and of itself is not new. But what is of concern this time, is the highly skilled professionals with degrees that are going.

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GOVERNMENT

Issue: **Annual Back-To-School Address, Part 1 of 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: October 23, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Connecticut has sued the U.S. Government over the No Child Left Behind Law. Connecticut claims the law is illegal because it requires 50-million dollars in programs without paying for them. Last April, the National Education Association, the largest teachers union in America, along with school districts in Texas, Michigan and Vermont, also filed suite against NCLB. Thus far, reaction from the Bush administration has been limited to a brief statement by Department of Education spokeswoman, Susan Aspey. Aspey rejects the lawsuit claims, saying the money to pay for programs is available. She wrote in an e-mailed statement, "This lawsuit send the wrong message to students, educators and parents." In fact, during Education Secretary, Margaret Spellings', one-hour appearance before the National Press Club just a few days ago, she neither brought up this issue in her speech, responded to the issue, or was even asked about the lawsuits by the national press corps in attendance. Spellings did, however, use the opportunity to stay on the department's message about No Child Left Behind.

Issue: **Annual Back-To-School Address, Part 2 of 2**
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Date: October 30, 2005
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: For just the past ten years, U.S. Secretaries of Education have come before the National Press Club each fall, for what is now known as the Annual Back-To-School Address. Since taking her cabinet post earlier this year, this was Education Secretary Margaret Spellings' first opportunity at the National Press Club forum. In our program last week, she spoke about the evolving global economy and the need to reduce education gaps. She also gave proof of how she believes higher standards and accountability requirements are paying off. And she responded to an Inspector General's report which concluded that the Department of Education violated federal law regarding covert propaganda, when it hired commentator, Armstrong Williams, to promote its policies. This week, Secretary Spellings focuses on the need for high school reforms, the role of the federal government in higher education, and the status of Title IX revisions.

Issue: **Origins of Life / Science Research in Education Series "The Evolution of Protoplanetary Disks, 0.5 – 10MYR: First Spectroscopic Results from the Spitzer Space Telescope**
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Description: NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope was launched two years ago... and from the very beginning, it has been opening the eyes of the science community. Its images of the universe date back almost to the beginning of time as we know it, perhaps 13.5 billion years ago. To find out about some of these discoveries, TBOOK spoke with a member of the team, and co-investigator that built the infrared spectrograph for the Spitzer Telescope. Dr. Dan Watson is also a Professor of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Rochester in New York.

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To: Kat Madru / Entercom P.S.A. Director / Jill Christl
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Re: 107.9 The End 3rd Quarter PSA Activities
Da: 1/4/06

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

KDND, KRXQ, KSEG, KSSJ and KWOD rotate Public Service Announcements at a rate of at least one per air shift. Each PSA is in rotation for approximately two weeks. Among the groups whose announcements aired last quarter are as follows:

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Stanford Home for Children	3	4	3	3	4
Leukemia Lymphoma Society	4	4	2	4	4
Crocker Art Museum	3	3	3	3	3
Kirkwood Job Fest	3	3	4	3	2
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	2	3	4	4	3
Placer County Library	2	2	3	3	3
Twin Lakes Food Bank	4	3	3	2	4
M Sister's House	3	4	2	4	3
Healing Arts Festival	3	3	3	3	2
Sacramento Zoo Conservation Program	4	2	4	4	2
Folsom High School	2	3	3	3	4
Safetyville USA	2	3	3	3	3
Red Cross / Hurricane Katrina Fund	5	3	2	4	3
Volunteers of America	4	4	2	3	4
Habitat for Humanity	3	3	4	4	2
Music Cares	3	3	4	2	3
Project Heal	3	4	2	3	3
Sierra Services for the Blind	3	2	3	3	2
National Kidney Foundation	4	4	4	3	3
Placer SPCA	4	4	3	2	4
Junior Achievement	3	3	3	3	3
Adopt a Family for Christmas	3	3	3	4	2
Family Connections	2	4	2	3	4
Salvation Army	2	2	2	2	3
Food Bank of El Dorado	3	4	3	3	3
Boys & Girls Club	2	3	4	2	2
Diversity Job Fair	3	4	4	3	3
Contractors Caring for Kids	3	2	4	2	4
Nevada County Toy & Food Run	3	3	3	2	4
WEAVE	3	3	4	4	2
Big Brothers / Big Sisters	4	4	3	3	3
Sacramento Children's Receiving Home	3	4	4	3	3
UC Davis Hospice	4	3	3	2	3
Save the Manatee	4	3	3	3	2
Toys for Tots	2	3	4	4	3
Performing Animal Welfare Society	2	4	4	3	3
Folsom City Zoo	4	4	3	4	4
Bear River High School Ski Team	4	2	4	3	3
Spirit & Truth Church	3	2	3	2	2
Placer County Animal Services	3	2	3	3	4
Sacramento Job Corps	3	3	3	4	4
National Memory Screening Day	2	2	4	4	4
Folsom Music Boosters	2	2	4	4	3
Del Oro High School	3	4	3	3	3
Mustard Seed School	3	2	3	2	4
Short Term Aid Committee	4	3	2	4	3
National Adoption Awareness Month	4	3	3	3	2
Sacramento SPCA	3	3	2	4	2
Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services	3	4	3	3	2
South Placer Active 20/30 Club	4	4	3	3	4
Shriner's Hospital	4	3	4	4	4

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Penryn Volunteer Firefighters	3	3	3	4	3
Sierra Council on Alcoholism	4	3	3	3	3
Boys & Girls Club of Lodi	2	4	4	3	4
Firefighters Burn Institute	2	4	3	2	4
Firefighters Against Cancer	3	3	2	3	3
Muscular Dystrophy Assoc. of Sacramento	3	3	2	2	4
Sacramento Lupus Foundation	3	2	3	3	3
Sacramento Area Animal Coalition	2	2	4	3	4
CAVE Teen Center	3	2	3	3	3
Friends of the Folsom Library	3	3	3	4	3
Yuba-Sutter Veteran Services Office	4	4	2	2	4
Folsom Health & Wellness Center	3	3	3	3	3
Family Connections Christian Adoptions	2	3	3	3	2
Lake County Literacy Coalition	2	4	3	3	4
Fall Job Fair	3	2	3	2	3
Twelve Bridges Elementary School	4	3	2	3	3
Disability Resource Fair	3	4	2	4	4
ALS Association of Greater Sacramento	3	3	3	2	3
Bliss Youth Programs	4	2	4	3	3

SACRAMENTO VALLEY BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION / ASCERTAINMENT

SVBA conducts Ascertainment interviews because the member stations believe it is an excellent way to stay in touch with community leaders and to stay informed about issues that should be reported on in news and public affairs programs. During an ascertainment interview, station representatives take notes on speakers' comments, which are then used to generate ideas for news and public affairs programs. Guests this quarter included speakers from the Sacramento Natural Foods Co-op, Future Farmers of America, Sacramento Sheriff's Department, Transitional Living and Community Support, Planned Giving Forum of Sacramento, SACA Learning Center, Learning Disabilities Association, Sacramento Magazine, and the California State Tax Board.

NEWS REPORTS

Entercom stations air newscasts twice an hour during Morning Drive, beginning at 5:50am and running until 8:50am, for a total of approximately 375 newscasts per quarter. The reports include national and local news. The content of the news stories range from major national headline issues to those that directly and specifically affect the greater Sacramento area including the following: Education, Economy, Government, Health, Environmental/Energy/Transportation, Crime, Drug Abuse, Minorities/Women/Aging, and Youth/Family. On an average each newscast is made up of six stories for a total of over 2,300 topics per quarter.